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Examiner Harry S. Hong

In Re: Igor Neyman et al.  
Case: P3244D2  
Serial No.: 09/661,181  
Filed: 9/13/2000  
Subject: Negotiated Routing in Telephony Systems

To the Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE A**